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For: Apparatus and Method of

Preparation of Stable, Long Term Thrombin From Plasma

and Thrombin Formed

Thereby

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## **AMENDMENT**

This amendment is submitted concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE), pursuant to 37 CFR §1.114, in response to the office action mailed on September 29, 2005.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the drawings begin on page 6 of this paper.

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